नए हेलीकाप्टरों के निर्माण के लिए फ्रांस का प्रस्ताव

3220. **श्री विश्वासराव रामराव पाटिल :** क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या "एयरोस्पेशिएवर्ले" नामक फ्रांस की विमान निर्माता कंपनी ने हाल में भारत सरकार को नये हैलीकाप्टरों के निर्माण और जर्मनी की एक कम्पनी के सहयोग से सेना के विशेष प्रयोजनों के लिये आधुनिकतम हैलीकाप्टरों के निर्माण कार्य को प्रारम्भ करने के लिये जानकारी का हस्तांतरण करने के लिये हाल में एक प्रस्ताव भेजा है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस प्रस्ताव का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) इस प्रस्ताव पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

रक्षा मंत्रालय में रक्षा उत्पादन और पूर्ति विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री चिंतामणि पाणिग्रही) : (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठते।

Number of Unemployed M.B.B.S. Graduates in the Country

3221. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the estimated number of unemployed M.B.B.S. graduates in the country during each of the last three years;

(b) what steps have been taken to end unemployment amongst the qualified medical graduates; and

(c) what is the percentage of our population which is still not reached by our health manpower and health services?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES AND THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) The estimated number of unemployed medical graduates, including Post-graduates on the Live Registers of Employment Exchanges during the last three years are as follows:—

Year	No. of Life Register
1985	23299
1986	28966
1987	29639
1988 (Upto June).	27599

(b) Employment opportunities are provided through the normal expansion activities of the Central Govt. and State Health Sectors. There is no specific scheme to absorb unemployed doctors in Government.

(c) As per the pattern of Rural Health Services implemented, the norms for establishment of Sub-Centres, Primary Health Centres and Community Health Centres, and the percentage of establishment of these centres, upto January, 1989 as

compared to the target to be achieved by 1990, are as follows:—

Category of Centre	Coverage Criteria	Percentage coverage as per targets fixed for 1990
Sub-Centres	1 for every 3000—5000 population	86
Primary Health Centre . . .	1 for every 20000—30000 population	78
Community Health Centres . .	1 for every 1 lakh to 1.2 lakh population.	54

By 1990, 100% coverage of sub-centres and Primary Health Centre is likely to be achieved.

Purchase of MK-428 Anti-submarine Warfare Helicopters

3222. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY :
SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH :
SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that India has given their acceptance for the purchase of MK-42B Anti-submarine Warfare (ASW) helicopters for Naval carrier "Viraat" ;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard ;

(c) what is the total cost of MK-42B's being purchased by the Indian Government and to what extent it will be better than sea king helicopters:

(d) whether it is also a fact that its performance is not upto the standard ; and

(e) if so, what action Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI) : (a) to (e) Mark 42B helicopters, being acquired for the Indian Navy, are modern anti-submarine helicopters which can also be armed with anti-ship missiles. The helicopters are being accepted after trials and it is ensured that they conform to the specified standards. Further details cannot be divulged for reasons of national security.

Warning against use of Drugs containing AIDS Virus

@ 3222-A. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Drug Controller of India has recently cautioned hospitals and doctors against the use of two drugs manufactured by a Bombay firm as there were indications that they contained the AIDS virus as reported in the Indian Express of 11th February, 1989 ;

(b) if so, whether any action has been taken by Government against the manufacturers of these drugs ; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

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